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HARTFORD AND WEST HARTFORD RESOLVE DIFFERENCES OVER PROSPECT AVENUE MIDDLE SCHOOL

HARTFORD, CT – Mayor Eddie A. Perez and West Hartford Mayor R. Scott Slifka have reached an agreement regarding the town's Middle School expansion of the driveway that would affect traffic on Prospect Avenue.

On November 24, the City of Hartford dropped its lawsuit against the Town of West Hartford. In doing so, West Hartford Mayor Slifka has agreed to not ask for an expansion of the driveway and has explored other alternatives to expand using water and sewer along Prospect Avenue.

"I am very happy that Mayor Slifka and I have reached a mutual agreement and that the counter lawsuit has been withdrawn as well as the request to expand the driveway on Prospect Avenue. Both of us, Hartford and West Hartford can now withdraw all litigation regarding this matter in order to continue with our work which is to better serve our residents," stated Hartford Mayor Eddie A. Perez.

West Hartford Mayor Slifka stated, "I am pleased that Hartford and West Hartford have been able to come to an agreement and that, most importantly, Bristow Middle School will be on schedule and on time for the 2005-2006 school year."

The Town of West Hartford plans to adhere to City of Hartford requirements in applying for a street excavation permit for a utility line on Prospect Avenue.

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